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Attorney Docket No. SIC-99-036

By James O Delens

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

YOSHIAKI NANKO, et al

Application No.: 09/474,916

Filed: December 29, 1999

For: DRIVE MECHANISM FOR A

BICYCLE TRANSMISSION ASSIST

MECHANISM

Examiner: M. Charles

Art Unit: 3682

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner:

This is a response to the Office Action mailed December 1, 2003. A request for an extension of time to respond accompanies this response. Kindly amend the above-identified application as follows.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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[X] Enclosed is a petition to extend time to respond.

- [] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted.
- [] A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.
- [] Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 with copies of cited references.
- [X] Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503).

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LJ	No ice is due.
[X]	Claims fee \$ Extension of time fee \$_110 IDS fee \$
[X]	Form PTO-2038 for \$110 is enclosed.

Two copies of this sheet are enclosed.

No fee is due

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Respectfully submitted, DELAND LAW OFFICE